

METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT - CITY OF ST. LOUIS

INTELLIGENCE UNIT

CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

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SIR:

On 03/31/92 this unit was contacted by [Redacted] of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Troop C Headquarters in Kirkwood Missouri. [Redacted] stated that his unit had received instructions to investigate an incident, in which a threatening letter was sent to the State Capitol, addressed to Lieutenant Governor Mel Carnahan.

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The envelope to the letter indicated a return address to: Father Bob, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church at 5017 Northland Av. St. Louis, Mo. 63113.

During the Missouri State Highway Patrol's investigation on 03/31/92, Father Bob was identified as [Redacted] W/M [Redacted] however, it was learned that the letter was actually sent by a homeless person known to the church, who is described as follows:

[Redacted]  
B, M, 5'7", 157lbs  
DOB: [Redacted]  
SSN: [Redacted]  
EKA: [Redacted]  
PHN: [Redacted]  
LID: [Redacted]

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[Redacted] learned from Father Bob that [Redacted] often visits the church for food and that he basically lives on the street as a homeless person. Father Bob indicated that [Redacted] has an extreme mental condition and has written letters in the past using the church and his name (Father Bob), as a return address.

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OFFICERS: [Redacted]

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informed this officer that due to the mental condition of the subject, he would not give much credence to the threat from the subject, however, the incident would be handled accordingly as their standard operating procedures warranted.

Criminal arrest records on  revealed arrests for Gambling, Striking an Officer (F), Resisting Arrest (M), Assault 1st, Stealing Over and Under and Tampering 1st.

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Affixed to this memorandum are copies from  of the letter and envelope received by his unit from

Any and all other information received by this officer will be forwarded to you in memorandum form.

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Time 7:00 AM.  
March 24, 1992  
St Louis MO 631

Head and Heads of  
Legislature, Jefferson City Mo  
Vain I try not Be —  
Being vain leads to Vanities.  
This is a Threat: A Mortal  
and Soul Threat.

A exconvict a mental patient  
a known Habitual Criminal who  
steal less than \$20000 a time.  
With I know 2 phobias, is  
in danger of his life. And  
if anything happens to him,  
I Murdered someone by St Louis  
or any area near State official  
I'll — I plan to arrange few other  
today.

Kill you in order: One by One  
This name is [redacted] a  
associate of mine. [redacted] will steal.  
But it should not cost him  
or no one else thier life. He  
need Help. Not murder or confi-  
ment for a long time.

To avoid any further letter or  
mix ups I'm making plans  
Circulate pictures through out  
Mo. I'll be satisfied.

Legislation II

No Threat in anyway

Circumstances & Conditions or Environment Heridty creates us. Each of us to be what we are. Science & Religious Logic would tell and fool this. The Problems you are having in the World today. I'm sure I could straighten out in 2 hr or less at the U.N. Washington D.C.

But they will only plain up again in the same but another way. How long it'll take I don't know. But it will happen again. To me its Vainity.

Please I carry a knife only, always have, I'm in my 50's and don't want to go to jail or hurt anyone. I'm a St Louisan who has neither Men or Angels. Nothing Very well Educated, in many acts of Life.

I live by rules as you should do of Body Soul and Spirit for these things I'll kill soon or later. I've lived these 50 some years by the Grace of God



### III

See to it, if you can, I dont  
bother nobody just want to be  
like the Rob Wolf left alone

Conditions make every thing  
Mortal or Imortal. Mend is all.

Tell St Louis Police to see who  
said what first and for what I  
can use malace because of Emotions

I know I can and that's aginst the  
law. What you're trying to do I  
could do in less than 2 hrs. So

could you if you would Think and  
do what you're getting Paid for I  
feel sorry for you. There are over

20 some diffination for fools and  
foolishness and you all are at  
least or over 15 of them

Truly of Money  
Swards Death  
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MO HP CRIM REC  
MO HP KIRKWOOD

Father Poo  
Blessed Sacrament Church  
Northland and Kingshighway Blvd  
St. Louis Mo



Missouri General Assembly  
Legislative Branch  
Senator Mel Carnahan and James Mathews  
State Capitol Room 121  
P.O. Box 563  
Jefferson City Mo  
65102

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You get ~~22~~<sup>31</sup> 22,862 per Year.

I get 482<sup>00</sup> a month.

And care more about my own  
friend than you do a State

Vain I'm Not

This is a Threat

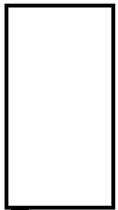
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Mel Carnahan  
State Capitol  
Room 121  
P.O. Box 563  
Jeff City MO  
65102-0563

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- SECRET
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Date 5/13/92

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (9A-SL-176046) (P)

SUBJECT :

MEL CARNAHAN,  
 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,  
 STATE OF MISSOURI-VICTIM;  
 EXTORTION (A);  
 OO: SL

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Enclosed for Kansas City are 2 copies of a report by the ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT re captioned matter.

For information of Kansas City: On 5/2/92,  MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL, TROOP C, St. Louis, Missouri, was contacted re his investigation into the subject's apparent extortionate letter addressed to Lieutenant Governor MEL CARNAHAN. He advised that subject was a "street person" that had a history of writing incoherent letters and that, due to his mental capacity and demeanor, it was extremely unlikely that any credible threat exists to the captioned victim.

On 5/11/92 AUSA RICHARD L. POEHLING was contacted re captioned matter and advised that he would decline prosecution upon notification of captioned victim re the contents of the letter and resulting investigation. The St. Louis, Missouri office of Governor JOHN ASHCROFT was contacted on 5/13/92 and advised that the Lieutenant Governor was presently located in Jefferson City, Missouri at his office in the State Capitol.

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LEADS

KANSAS CITY DIVISION, AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

Contact and interview Lieutenant Governor MEL CARNAHAN, 121 State Capitol, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101, telephone- 314-751-3000, and advise of contents of captioned letter and MSHP threat assessment.

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Date 6/17/92

TO : SAC, ST. LOUIS

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (9A-SL-176046) (SPDRA-JCRA) (RUC)

SUBJECT :   
 MEL CARNAHAN, Lieutenant Governor,  
 State of Missouri - VICTIM;  
 EXTORTION (A);  
 OO: ST. LOUIS

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Re SL airtel, 5/13/92.

On 6/8/92, CARNAHAN's office in Jefferson City, Missouri, was contacted and it was determined that CARNAHAN could be reached at his campaign office in St. Louis at telephone number (314) 726-1992.

On the same date  St. Louis Campaign Headquarters for CARNAHAN, 7751 Carondlet, Suite 600, Clayton, Missouri, was contacted in an effort to locate Lieutenant Governor CARNAHAN. She advised that CARNAHAN was traveling and not available. She advised that she would have   CARNAHAN's political director, contact the Jefferson City office of the FBI.

On the same date  telephonically contacted the Jefferson City RA and advised of the contents of the letter and the threat assessment by the MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY

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PATROL (MSHP). [ ] advised that he would provide the information to CARNAHAN, and if CARNAHAN had any further questions he would refer him to the FBI's Jefferson City office.

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In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted and this case is being RUC'd.

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To : SAC, ST. LOUIS (9A-SL-176046) (P) Date 7/23/92

From : *W/L* SA [redacted]

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Subject: [redacted]

MEL CARNAHAN, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,  
STATE OF MISSOURI - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A);  
OO: SL

For information of the file:

On 5/11/92, this matter was presented to AUSA RICHARD POEHLING for a prosecutive opinion. At That time POEHLING stated that he would decline prosecution, after the victim had been advised of the situation. A lead was set for the KC division and CARNAHAN was duly advised of the matter. Upon receipt of the KC communication documenting the above, AUSA POEHLING was again advised of the case status. On 7/14/92, he stated that he wished to discuss the matter with USA HIGGINS, before declining in the matter. As of 7/22/92, AUSA POEHLING has been unable to meet with USA HIGGINS, but stated he would do so ASAP.

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To : SAC, ST. LOUIS (9A-SL-176046) (P)

Date 9/11/92  
7/23/92

From : SA [redacted]

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Subject:

[redacted]

MEL CARNAHAN, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,  
STATE OF MISSOURI - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A);  
OO: SL

Due to this SA's transfer, effective 9/16/92, it is requested that this matter be re-assigned. It should be noted that a declination from the USA's office has already been requested.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 9A-SL-176046

Post Office 7251, Main Station  
St. Louis, Missouri 63177  
September 11, 1992

Honorable Stephen B. Higgins  
United States Attorney  
United States Department of Justice  
1114 Market Street, Room 414  
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

Attention: Mr. Richard L. Poehling  
Assistant United States Attorney

Dear Mr. Higgins:

Re: [redacted]  
Mel Carnahan, Lieutenant  
Governor, State of  
Missouri - Victim;  
Extortion

This letter will confirm a conversation between  
Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Richard L. Poehling and  
Special Agent [redacted] on May 11, 1992, wherein the  
following was discussed:

The Missouri State Highway Patrol, Troop C, St. Louis,  
Missouri, had conducted an investigation into [redacted]  
apparent extortionate letter addressed to Lieutenant Governor Mel  
Carnahan. The Highway Patrol's investigation found that [redacted]  
was a "street person" who had a history of writing incoherent  
letters and that, due to his mental capacity and demeanor, it was  
extremely unlikely that any credible threat existed towards  
Lieutenant Governor Carnahan.

AUSA Poehling advised that he would decline prosecution  
in the matter, upon notification of Lieutenant Governor Carnahan  
re the contents of the letter and resulting investigation.

On June 8, 1992, the Jefferson City office of the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation was advised that Lieutenant  
Governor Carnahan was traveling and not available for interview.

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However, [redacted] Carnahan's Political Director, was advised of the contents of the letter and the threat assessment by the Missouri State Highway Patrol. [redacted] advised that he would provide the information to Carnahan.

It should be noted that on July 14, 1992, AUSA Poehling was advised of the notification of Lieutenant Governor Carnahan and confirmed that he would decline prosecution after United States Attorney Stephen B. Higgins was apprised of the situation. In order to bring this matter to its conclusion, it is requested that this opinion be rendered as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]  
Special Agent in Charge

By: [redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent



Memorandum



To : SAC, ST. LOUIS (94-SL-176046) (P)

Date 11/16/92

From : SA [redacted]

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Subject: [redacted]

Del Carnahan, Lieutenant Governor,  
State of Missouri - Victim;  
Extortion;  
OO: SL

On instant date the writer contacted AUSA Richard  
Poehling re captioned matter. Poehling advised his office  
would decline prosecution upon concurrence of his opinion  
with victim Carnahan. Poehling advised that he would contact  
Carnahan sometime within the next week.

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To : SAC, St. Louis (9A-SL-176046)

Date 12/29/92

From : SA [redacted]

Subject: [redacted]

Mr. Carnahan, Lieutenant Governor,  
State of Missouri - Victim;  
Extortion;  
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Re memo dated 11/16/92.

On 12/28/92, the writer re-contacted AUSA Pehling who advised that he still needs to discuss captioned matter with USA Stephen Higgins before this case can be closed by the writer. AUSA Pehling advised the writer to call him back on 1/14/93 regarding captioned matter and USA Higgins' opinion.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 9A-SL-176046

P.O. Box 7251 Main Station  
St. Louis, Missouri 63177

April 22, 1993

Honorable Stephen B. Higgins  
United States Attorney  
Eastern District of Missouri  
United States Department of Justice  
1114 Market Street, Room 414  
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

Attention: Richard L. Poehling  
Assistant United States Attorney

RE: [Redacted]  
Lt. Governor Mel Carnahan-  
Victim;  
Extortion

Dear Mr. Higgins:

This is to confirm a conversation between Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) [Redacted] and Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Richard L. Poehling on April 7, 1993, at which time the following matter was discussed:

The Missouri State Highway Patrol, Troop C, St. Louis, Missouri, had conducted an investigation into [Redacted] apparent extortion letter addressed to Lieutenant Governor Mel Carnahan. The Highway Patrol's investigation found that [Redacted] was a "street person" who had a history of writing incoherent letters and that, due to his mental capacity and demeanor, it was extremely unlikely that any credible threat existed for Lieutenant Governor Carnahan.

AUSA Poehling advised that he would decline prosecution in the matter upon notification of Lieutenant Governor Carnahan regarding the contents of the letter and resulting investigation.

On June 8, 1992, the Jefferson City Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was advised that Lieutenant

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*SA [Redacted] will send letter to SCLPD [Redacted] of AUSAs [Redacted]*

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[redacted]  
Lt. Governor Mel Carnahan-Victim;  
Extortion

Governor Carnahan was traveling and not available for interview. However, [redacted] Carnahan's political director, was advised of the contents of the letter and the threat assessment by the Missouri State Highway Patrol. [redacted] advised that he would provide the information to Carnahan.

It should be noted that on July 14, 1992, AUSA Poehling was advised of the notification of Lieutenant Governor Carnahan and confirmed he would decline prosecution after U.S. Attorney Stephen B. Higgins was apprised of the situation.

On April 7, 1993, Poehling advised SSA [redacted] that he would notify United States Attorney Higgins and that the St. Louis Division of the FBI did not need to conduct any further investigation regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]  
Special Agent in Charge

By: [redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent

U.S. Department of Justice



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 9A-SL-176046

Post Office 7251, Main Station  
St. Louis, Missouri 63177  
January 21, 1993

Honorable Stephen B. Higgins  
United States Attorney  
United States Department of Justice  
1114 Market Street, Room 414  
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

Attention: Mr. Richard L. Poehling  
Assistant United States Attorney

Dear Mr. Higgins:

RE:   
Mel Carnahan,  
Lieutenant Governor,  
State of Missouri-Victim  
Extortion



Enclosed for the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Missouri, is one copy of a letter to the United States Attorney dated September 11, 1992.

This is to confirm a conversation between Special Agent (SA)  and Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Richard L. Poehling on November 16 and December 28, 1992, at which time referenced matter was discussed. AUSA Poehling advised that his office would decline prosecution regarding this matter upon concurrence of his opinion with Lieutenant Governor Carnahan and United States Attorney (USA) Higgins.

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Per enclosed letter to the United States Attorney, it is requested that USA Higgins be apprised of the situation so that this matter may be brought to its conclusion. It is requested that this opinion be rendered as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

By:

[Redacted Signature]

Supervisory Special Agent